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G. A. Cross was a Paw Paw visitor on Friday last.

A. F. Hurlbut was in Lansing Wednesday on business.

Mrs. M. H. Young was on the sick list the first of the week.

H. L. McNeil was in Jackson on business the first of the week.

Watch for the announcement of the date of Fireman's annual ball.

Mrs. John Mutchler was in Kalamazoo for the day on Monday last.

Mr. and Mrs. David Anderson were Kalamazoo visitors on Thursday last.

The firemen are planning for the annual Ball this year. The date will be announced soon.

Mrs. Harry Maxham spent last Thursday in Covert the guest of relatives there.

Miss Ola Killefer and Mrs. William Killefer Jr. spent the week end with friends in Kalamazoo.

Mrs. Addie Hunt has gone to Aurora, Illinois to spend several weeks at the home of her son.

Mrs. George Ernsberger spent last Thursday in Lawton the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Phelps.

Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Wakeman and son Wynn were Sunday guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Abrams in Lawrence.

Miss Josephine Van Auken returned home last Friday after spending several weeks at the home of her brother in Hartford.

The county Federation of Gleaners will meet in Hartford on Tuesday, January 28th. There will be a pot-luck dinner and a big time.

Rev. I. P. Bates was in Lawton last Saturday as installing officer for the G. A. R. Post. After the installation the W. R. C. served a fine dinner.

Miss Martha Thayer was hostess to the members of her Sunday school class on Wednesday evening. "A fine time" was reported by the youngsters.

Mesdames Thomas Smith, A. F. Hurlbut, Bert Douglas and Mrs. Jennie Ocobock of Detroit went to Covert last Thursday to spend the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Mumbree.

Wednesday evening, January 23rd, will be "Odd Fellows Night" at the Idle Hour theatre. Manager Reeves is planning a special program for the night, and every Odd Fellow will probably be there with his family.

Mrs. C. E. Wallace was hostess at a dinner party at her Four Mile Lake home on Monday evening. Those present from town were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Warner, Mr. and Mrs. Al Hindenach and Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Hoyt.

Mrs. W. J. Warner received a telegram from her brother, Roscoe Broughton Jr. who lives in Montana, that their little son Bradley, aged seven years had passed away from the effects of the influenza. Mr. and Mrs. Broughton have the sympathy of a large circle of Paw Paw friends.

Members of the Masonic Fraternity with their families, and members of the Eastern Star and families are planning a fine time this Friday evening. A Chicken pie dinner will be served in the dining room at 6:30, after which a program and social hour will be enjoyed in the lodge room and parlors.

Jesse Dye announces the second of a series of Social Dancing parties to be held at Longwell's Opera House on Tuesday evening, January 28th. Brocato's Saxophone orchestra of Kalamazoo will furnish the music. Advertising space in this issue gives the details of arrangements for this social affair.

The next meeting of the Coterie will be held next week Wednesday in the evening at 7:30. The program will be furnished by the Daughters of the Coterie and promises to be something worth while. The program given last year by "The Daughters" was pronounced by those present to have been one of the best in the whole year's work. Do not miss this one.

Father Clarkson is spending the week in Detroit.

Mrs. J. E. Gilkey was in Kalamazoo on Tuesday last.

W. R. Sellick was in Kalamazoo on business a part of this week.

Mrs. Jesse Wilson is entertaining a sister, Mrs. Jennie Ocobock of Detroit.

Miss Winnie Dunham is assistant book-keeper at the First National Bank.

Glenn Butcher and wife of Lawrence were Paw Paw visitors last Monday.

Maurice Cagney of Kalamazoo spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Dillon.

Advertised Letters—Mrs. Eliza Hodges, Mr. and Mrs. Sherrod and Frank Williams.

Clifton J. Rowley of Lawrence was in Paw Paw Wednesday enroute to Bloomingdale and Gobles.

Arthur Reidel and Charley Burns have been mustered out of the service and are at home again.

Mrs. R. W. Broughton will return this week from Benton Harbor where she has been taking the baths.

Nick Miller of Richmond, Indiana was called here this week on account of the serious illness of a sister.

Mrs. Emma Smith returned home last Saturday after spending three weeks with relatives in Boston, Mass.

The "Daughters of the Coterie" held a most enjoyable meeting Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Grace Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Parks left for Los Angeles, California last Friday. They expect to spend the remainder of the winter there.

Members of the Country Club were delightfully entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hinckley in the village on Wednesday.

Edward Quartermas is the new clerk at the Eaton and Mosier store. His many friends will be glad to see him behind the counter again.

Mrs. Bert Smith and little son of Chicago were guests of Mrs. Emma R. Smith the latter part of last week, returning home Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. Ed Bailey was called to South Haven Wednesday by the death of a cousin, Mrs. Albert Chase of that city who was a victim of typhoid fever.

Lieutenant Herbert Bassett has been honorably discharged from the service, and will leave soon for Pittsburgh, Pa. to accept a lucrative position with the Carnegie Steel company.

The new electric piano is appreciated by the patrons of the Idle Hour theatre. Some fine features starring well known actors and actresses are now being shown. Mr. Reeves is sparing no expense to give the Movie Fans the best there is.

Following are the officers elected at the annual meeting of the First National Bank:—E. F. Parks, President; T. J. Cavanaugh, Vice President; W. H. Longwell, Cashier; Guy F. Warner, Assistant Cashier; Miss Nellie Harrington, Book Keeper.

The program at the Coterie Wednesday proved a most delightful and instructive one. Mrs. Rachel Bailey gave a fine address on the Registration of Women; Mrs. Orin W. Kaye rendered several fine musical selections and Mrs. Emma R. Smith conducted a lesson in Food Conservation.

The regular meeting of the Lady Maccabees convenes Friday evening January 24th, (tonight), at which time the new officers will put on the Third degree initiation. It is hoped there will be a full attendance to enjoy a good laugh and social evening. Refreshments will be served.

Word reached Paw Paw friends on Wednesday that Mrs. Albert Chase had passed away at her home in the city of South Haven following an illness of typhoid fever. The funeral will be held from the home this Friday afternoon. Mrs. Chase was formerly Miss Alta Eush of Goblesville and has many friends and acquaintances here.

Archie Abrams and family and Mrs. A. H. Abrams, all of Lawrence were Paw Paw visitors last Friday.

A. W. Dye of Kansas City, Missouri was a guest of his parents and brother, west of town, a part of last week.

A card brings greetings from C. A. Norwood and family. Alva is doing well in Oregon and thinks there is no place in the world like the west.

Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Duncombe will leave next Monday for their California trip. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Warren of Hartford will join them.

Earl Hemenway of South Haven was a guest of his sister, Mrs. Albert Squier and family for the week end. Earl is a member of the Quartermaster's department of the U. S. Army, and was enroute to Madison, Wisconsin.

There will be the usual Sunday school and church services at the Presbyterian church next Sunday. Rev. Nickless who is continuing his college work in Chicago, returns for the week end to take charge of the Sunday service.

S. V. Fowler received the sad news from Mrs. J. L. Woodworth of Chicago that her husband died on the street car while going to work last Friday morning. The Woodworth family have spent several summers here, and Mrs. Woodworth and daughter have the sympathy of the community in their great sorrow.

The springlike weather of the past week has melted all the snow and softened the ice in the lakes. Should this weather continue, there will be no need for any one to journey to California or to the South Land to escape the rigors of the Michigan weather. It is probable however that there will be a change in time to kill the fruit and make enough ice for the summer.

Miss Irene Lane leaves today for Washington, D. C. to begin her new duties in the War Risk Insurance department of the U. S. Government. This is a civil service appointment, and comes as a result of an examination taken by Miss Lane in South Dakota some three months ago. She announces to her music pupils that a competent instructor will be secured at once, and announcement relations will soon be made. The best wishes of a host of Paw Paw friends will accompany Miss Lane to her new job at the nations capital.

The first number of the Paw Paw Lecture course last week Thursday evening was highly pleasing and satisfactory to the large audience. There probably have been higher class artists before a Paw Paw audience than the members of The Chicago Festival Quintet, but certainly none more pleasing. The diversified program, attractive costumes, and many picturesque features combined to make the entertainment one of real merit and enjoyment. If every number on the course gives as good satisfaction as the Festival Quintet, the winters course will be a huge success. The program opened with two selections by the High School band, and the finished manner in which the selections were rendered was a revelation to the audience. The band, under the efficient direction of Prof. Castle is fast developing into a high class finished musical organization, of which the citizens of this community are justly proud.

Delos J. Mitchelson died Saturday January 18th, at Borgess hospital, Kalamazoo, where he had gone for treatment and a contemplated operation. He was the son of Charles and Mary Ann Mitchelson, and lived all his life on the farm where he was born, west of Paw Paw. He suffered a great deal in the past year, his sickness baffled the skill of the physicians in their attempts to diagnose and treat it, and after reaching the hospital seemed to rally for a few days and then rapidly failed until death came to his relief. He was aged fifty-one years, ten months and eighteen days. Mr. Mitchelson was a kind husband and father, a good neighbor, and enjoyed the friendship of many. He leaves to mourn his departure, his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Harry Nash of Lawton and other relatives and friends. The funeral service was held at the home Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Arthur Trott, and the body was laid to rest in Prospect cemetery.

The Friday club will meet this week at the home of Mrs. H. A. Cole.

There is a slump in the marriage business in Van Buren County. No licenses issued since January 13th.

It is reported that the schools are again closed in Lawton on account of another serious epidemic of the influenza.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey A. Sherman entertained his mother of Grand Rapids, and his son Roy, the first of this week. The son has just been honorably discharged from the service of his country. Another son is with the Army of Occupation in France.

Secretary of the Treasury, Carter Glass has officially announced from Washington that the name of the new "Fifth War Loan" will be the "Victory Liberty Loan". The honor flag will bear a blue "V" on a white field, surrounded by a red border, the "V" denoting both "Five" (Fifth Loan) and "Victory".

Manager Reeves of the Idle Hour announces, Wm. Hart in "The Square Deal" for Saturday and Sunday nights with A. L. Hantzell, ventriloquist, as an added attraction. Wednesday night of next week is "Odd Fellows" night, with June Caprice in "Blue Eyed Mary" as the feature, also a two reel comedy. Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday then will all be big nights.

Judge L. B. Des Voignes was in Kalamazoo a part of this week to sit as one of the Judges in the Circuit Court in the Disbarment proceedings against Attorney D. O. Franch of that city. His associate jurists in the case were Judge Collingwood of Lansing, and Judge North of Battle Creek. Judge Collingwood presided in the hearing.

Throughout North America, Father and Sons' week will be observed this year between February 11th, and 16th. The movement has become a national one, and it is interesting to note that several towns in Van Buren County are planning to observe the week in true American style. South Haven, Bloomingdale and Bangor are planning on banquets, which will be held one evening during the week at which will be sounded the key-note of the relationship between fathers and sons. Committees are in the forming in these towns, and it is expected that a valuable and helpful program will be put on.

Mr. and Mrs. Higgs have finally consented to announce a class in Dancing Instruction for the benefit of those who desire to avail themselves of such an opportunity. The instruction will be given in the Maple City Club rooms on Friday evenings. Instruction, from 8:00 to 9:30 Assembly from 9:30 to 11:00. This will be a series of six weeks. There will also be a class for children in interpreted dancing at 1:00 o'clock on Saturday afternoons and a class in social dancing at 3:00 o'clock Saturdays, a series of ten weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Higgs have had twenty-five years experience in dancing instruction in Chicago. They are now highly esteemed residents of Paw Paw, and many in this community will be glad of an opportunity to get the benefit of their experience in teaching to "Trip the Light Fantastic."

A letter from Mrs. F. A. Weston of Dayton, Florida, states that a copy of the Daytona Daily was sent with marked items that would be of interest to Paw Paw people. The paper in question has not yet arrived but the letter contains the following:—"The Cummings Trio" who gave concerts two different times in Paw Paw are now in France, two of them at least. Truman the eldest and violinist in the 85th, division, and Oscar Jr. the youngest and Cellist in the Heavy Coast Artillery. Oscar was on the firing line when peace was declared. Both boys however came through with out a scratch. Miss Thusa Tarbell who will be remembered as H. Y. Tarbell's youngest daughter, was married December 18th, to Stanley Strother, a fine young man of Daytona, Florida who is connected with the automobile business there. Miss Thusa has been employed in the Merchant's bank the past year and will remain with them until the end of the busy tourist season. They are having a little cold weather there, Mrs. Weston states, requiring a little fire some days. The tourists are flocking in by trainloads, she adds.

Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Warner, Mrs. Bennett McKinstry and Mrs. LaRue Chappell motored to Kalamazoo last Friday.

Glenn E. Warner, Howard B. Allen, Guy F. Warner and Ed Davis were in Battle Creek on Thursday to attend a Bankers convention in that city.

Miss Georgie Boomer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Reynold Boomer, north of town. Miss Boomer is a Red Cross nurse and is just returned from England and France, where she has been stationed in hospitals there.

A number of the towns of the county are making very encouraging reports on progress in the Victory Boys and Victory Girls' clubs. Twenty-one of Bloomingdale's forty Victory Boys have earned their certificates as one of a "Million Boys behind a Million Fighters." Thirty-seven certificates have been issued to the Victory Boys of the South Haven High school. The county director is desirous of having the local directors make their detailed reports as soon as possible, and if they have already been sent in, they should be revised, showing the progress of the organization and also to facilitate the issuing of the certificates. The campaign ends March 1st, which leaves only about six weeks in which time all reports must be in, and certificates should be in the hands of the Victory Boys before that date.

At the annual meeting of the stock holders of the Paw Paw Savings Bank, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Glenn E. Warner, President; David Anderson, First Vice President; H. B. Allen, Second Vice President; Blaine Warner, Cashier; Bennett McKinstry, Assistant Cashier. Miss Esther Stevenson who has been in Denver, Colorado taking a business course during the winter, will return soon to resume her duties as Book Keeper. The bank declared the usual 15 per cent dividend for the year.

Elmer Empson, who has had charge of the Eugene Hinckley farm on Eagle Lake for the past nine years, will leave about March 1st, for South Lyon, Michigan, to assume the management of the Delbert Smith farm of 550 acres. The farm is a stock and grain farm, one of the best in the state, and specializes in thorough bred sheep and cattle. It also has a large apple orchard, and the place employs four or five men in addition to the farm manager. Mr. and Mrs. Empson have a host of friends, not only in the home community, but throughout the county who will regret to see them leave, but will unite in best wishes for their happiness and prosperity in the new home. Will Fitch will succeed Mr. Empson on the Hinckley farm.

Eugene Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey, has nearly recovered from the ugly wound received on the battle fields of France. He is the first wounded Paw Paw boy to return home, and has a wonderful story to tell of his experiences. He was in active service on the battle field from May 1st, to July 25th. It was the morning of the day that he received the wound which kept him in the hospital for several months. The shell which sent an ugly piece of shrapnel deep into the muscles of his thigh, killed a comrade on his right and mangled both arms of the one on his left. His thrilling experiences would make an exciting book, but the young hero's modesty forbids a recital of the story, except in answer to persistent questioning of his friends.

The proposed constitutional amendment providing for the return of the saloon to our state, sales to be restricted to wine and beer, is of great importance, and should be thoroughly understood by every elector. Van Buren County has been saloonless for the past twenty-eight years, and a vote in favor of the amendment would be a reversal of the policy under which we have lived so long and emphatically endorsed. It is which the voters have so frequently true that the saloons, if the amendment shall prevail, will be legally restricted as above noted, but, in view of the strenuous efforts of the opponents of the present law to evade its provisions, does anybody think such restrictions would be implicitly obeyed? Mr. Mrs. and Miss Voter, if you do not want to see the open saloon re-established in our county, go to the polls and vote NO. \*\*\*

Miss Hazel Colby is assisting in the Abstract office.

Attorney W. J. Barnard is in Okla-homa on legal business this week.

Mrs. J. C. Kennedy of Almena is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. Breed.

Sheriff Andrew Lang and wife were Kalamazoo visitors on Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCon of Lawrence were Paw Paw visitors on Monday last.

Miss Mildred Shepard and Miss Marian Boess were in Kalamazoo on Tuesday.

Mrs. Vera Ford Immell of Battle Creek is the guest of Mrs. Bennett McKinstry for a few days.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry W. Harvey of Kalamazoo were calling on Paw Paw friends last Friday.

Mrs. Daniel Riley of Benton Harbor is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Duncombe.

A dinner was served last week by Mrs. Lafayette Butler in honor of her mother, Mrs. Wells Raleigh's ninetieth birthday.

It is reported that the 85th, Division will soon return from France. This division includes many Van Buren county boys.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Scovel and Mrs. Charles Hathaway and son Harold were dinner guests of Mrs. C. E. Wallace at her Four Mile Lake home last Thursday evening.

The News-Palladium, Benton Harbor daily newspaper has been sold to J. N. Klock and Lieutenant Stanley R. Banyon. Mr. Banyon is well known in this county.

E. K. Warren, millionaire of Three Oaks, died at his home in Evanston, Illinois last Thursday. For many years Mr. Warren had been closely identified with the business interests of Three Oaks, and was known to many people in Van Buren county.

Cards received from Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Showerman announce their safe arrival in the land of sunshine and flowers, and they are now located in Los Angeles. They report a visit to the ranch of Cyrus Sherrod where they were treated to all the oranges and grape fruit they could carry away.

The State Association of Young Men's Christian Association, held a training conference at Camp Custer the first week of the month, at which all secretaries of the state were gathered together to consider and devise means for a constructive program to be adopted during the re-constructive period. So successful was the conference that a second has been planned, and will be held in Camp Custer beginning the 22nd, and continuing through the 27th. This conference is to be made up very largely of business men from the various counties. Van Buren county is fortunate in having filled her quota. The men going from this county are E. R. Smith, South Haven; Paul Harrison, Bloomingdale; C. A. Lemon, Goblesville; C. E. Lewis, Lawton and K. W. Wildt Bangor.

Lee Nelson a farmer living five miles west of Bangor, in Geneva town ship, was found dead in his home on Sunday, from shot in the head. The officers were notified and the Sheriff, Prosecuting Attorney, Stenographer, and O. W. Rowland, Justice of the Peace went to the place Sunday evening and held an inquest. It was found by the jury that he had met death by gun shot wound inflicted by himself. He had used an old musket and a fire shovel to work the trigger. He had not been seen by any of the neighbors for three weeks and it is believed that he committed the deed some three weeks ago. He was a bachelor, about fifty years of age, and lived alone in a small house on a ten acre parcel of land on which there was a good orchard. There was \$100.00 in currency on his person, and it is believed he had other money, as he was known to have made considerable money from his orchard, and to live a very miserly, selfish life. He leaves two sisters, one living in Chicago, and one in Manistee, and one brother, Andrew Nelson, living in LaPort, Indiana. It is believed the man was mentally unbalanced as when last seen he seemed to be laboring under some burden, appearing excited and nervous, and his eyes were glaring and unnatural.